Minutes Student Administrative Council (SAC) Meeting #10 April 17th, 2023 SC 2016

Present: Ian Foss, General Manager

Ismail Aravai, FSU President

Mohammad Areeb Shamsi – Director, Board Chair

Anila Mohan - Director

Alexzander Thompson – Director

Theone Abalos – Director Angelica Gamarra – Director Kirstie Mae Paderes – Director Krystina Chase – Director

Bonnie Williams (Recording Secretary)

Absent: Rebecca Tamang, Director

Observers: Stephin Sathya, Incoming FSU President

Jitendra Singh Rathore, Incoming FSU

Director

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

10.1 It was:

MOVED by Anila Mohan, SECONDED by Krystina Chase and CARRIED to approve the Agenda for Meeting #10.

Approval of Minutes

10.2 It was:

MOVED by Kristie Mae Paderes, SECONDED by Angelica Gamarra and CARRIED to approve the Minutes from Meeting #9.

One Director, Alexzander Thompson, abstained from the vote.

President's Report – Ismail Aravai

The President's Report was presented to the Board.

Ismail provided an update on recruitment and noted all three FSU Coordinator positions have been filled; Claudia Herrera, (Finance Coordinator), Sarah Machado Acuna, (Advocacy and Communications Coordinator) and Basia Boron, (Student Life Coordinator).

Ismail met with the Indigenous Department to discuss building the relationship between the FSU and Indigenous Students. Ismail suggested the new Executive Team continue to build this bond with the department and their students.

Ismail met with the Academic Integrity Committee and noted an extensive discussion about students using Chatgpt. The FSU will be supporting the College in bringing more awareness to students with the campaign 'Think outside the Bot'.

Ismail attended the Athletics Banquet, College Student Union Meeting and Annual General Meeting. Additionally, Ismail met with the Off-Campus Housing Committee and noted discussions were held regarding London housing, regional campus housing issues and communication expectations.

Ismail provided an update to the Board regarding Ontario Student Voice as per the request of the Board. Ismail noted that Ontario Student Voices is in the process of hiring an Executive Director and has a strong candidate for the role. It was noted that the Members voted 'no' in the referendum, however, the FSU has the opportunity to be in the observation class for Ontario Student Voices; no fee/non-voting. It was noted that this will allow the Board to gather more information and determine if the membership is a good fit for the Members. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the referendum vote. It was explained that a referendum can be done next year, however, it would be up to the incoming Board make that decision.

10.3 It was:

MOVED by Theone Abalos, SECONDED by Alexzander Thompson and CARRIED to accept the President's Report, as presented.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

General Manager's Report – Ian Foss

The General Manager's Report was deferred to the In-Camera Session.

Committee Reports:

a. Governance Committee – The Governance Committee had connected with the General Manager as well as other Student Associations to collect information in regards to the two-term President and shared the benefits as well as the negatives to the Board. Based on the information gathered, the Governance Committee provided the recommendation to defer the decision regarding the two-term President to the next Board of Directors.

10.4 It was:

MOVED by Alexzander Thompson, SECONDED by Anila Mohan and CARRIED to approve deferring the outstanding motion 'eligibility of a two-term FSU President' to the 2023-2024 Board.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

The Governance Committee provided recommendations to the incoming Board which included the creation of a timeline to begin discussions of governance-related topics earlier as well as the re-evaluating the hiring timeline of the FSU Coordinators to allow

unsuccessful candidates to run in the FSU President/Director Elections.

- b. Finance Committee The Finance Committee provided an update in regards to fees and the FSU Budget. It was noted that there will not be a fee increase for students this year, however, there has been an increase in expenses for the FSU Budget compared to the previous year's budget. Despite the increase in expenses, the FSU is looking into areas to offset the increases including summer caterings. The Finance Committee provided the recommendation to have regular meetings in the next term.
- c. Sustainability Committee The Sustainability Committee met with the Sustainability Coordinator and discussed what the FSU is doing as well as what the organization could be doing to be more sustainable. It was noted that the FSU has the opportunity to educate students and continue to promote sustainability on-Campus. It was suggested that the Sustainability Committee and/or the creation of a Sustainability Task Force be a focus of the 2023-2024 Board of Directors.

10.5 It was:

MOVED by Angelica Gamarra, SECONDED by Anila Mohan and CARRIED to accept that the 2023-2024 Board continue discussions on the continuation of the Sustainability Committee and/or creation of a Sustainability Task Force.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

New Business

a. In Camera Session

10.6 It was:

MOVED by Angelica Gamarra, SECONDED by Alina Mohan and CARRIED to approve to go In Camera with Ian Foss and Ismail Aravai present.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

10.7 It was:

MOVED by Alexzander Thompson, SECONDED by Kirstie Mae Paderes and CARRIED to go Out of Camera.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

10.8 It was:

MOVED by Krystina Chase, SECONDED by Alina Mohan and CARRIED to approve COLA increase to the Salary Scales, as discussed in camera.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

10.9 It was:

MOVED by Theone Abalos, SECONDED by Alexzander Thompson and CARRIED to approve the Organizational Chart, as presented in camera.

A vote was held and the motion was passed.

 $\underline{Next\ Meeting} - \underline{N/A}$

<u>Adjournment</u>

10.10 It was:

MOVED by Theone Abalos, SECONDED by Angelica Gamarra and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting at 10:45~a.m.